up the case and escape due process of Law?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) Two cases have come to notice in the recent past.

(b) to (c)

(i) Shortage of cash amounting to Rs. 64,674 detected on 10-7-91. The accused officials has been posted on a non-cash handling post and disciplinary action initiated against him.

(ii) Non-remittance of Rs. 2.37 lakhs to station earnings. The official concerned has been placed under suspension and served with a Major penalty charge sheet.

Fodder Target

1769. SHRI S. S. AHLUWALIA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have set out any target for the Production of fodder in the country during the current year;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) whether Government have also any scheme for the conservation of fodder for distribution to the farmers during the lean periods; and

(d) if so, what are the details thereof and in what manner Government propose to achieve the above targets?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI K. C. LENKA): (a) and (b) Annual targets for the production of fodder in the country during the current year have not been set up. However, targets for fodder seed production have been fixed for the seven Regional Stations for Forage Production and Demonstration under the Central Government. Similarly, the National Seeds Corporation, State Farm Corporation of India and State Seed Corporations also fix up annual targets for fodder seed production.

(c) and (d) The Government of India do not have any scheme for conservation of fodder for distribution to the farmers during the lean periods. However, some of the State Governments collected and preserve grasses for distributing to the farmers during lean periods. Various contingent schemes are also implemented during the drought periods to produce, conserve and distribute fodder to the farmers.

Setting up of Bihar Flood Control Authority

1770. SHRI S. S. AHLUWALIA. Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have decided to establish a Bihar Flood Control Authority to combat floods in the State of Bihar;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) if the answer to part (a) above be in the negative what steps Government propose to take to control the flood situation in the State which is a yearly routine?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI VIDYACHARAN SHUKLA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Comprehensive Plans for flood management prepared by Ganga Flood Control Commission have been sent to the State Government for follow up action. These include structural and non-structural measures. Emphasis now onwards is on flood proofing measures as they are more cost effective.

Modernisation of Steel Plants in the Country

1771. SHRI KRISHAN LAL SHARMA: Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) the number of steel plants in the country together with their location;

(b) the installed capacity of each of the plants and present output;